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NATIONAL BAMBOO MISSION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the implementation status of National Bamboo Mission in the country with special reference to the North Eastern Region; and

(b) the target set for its implementation in Assam during the Eleventh Plan period indicating the location-wise Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) and Government agencies short listed for execution of the mission`s programme alongwith specific work assigned to them and amount sanctioned for the purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a): The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Government of India, is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on National Bamboo Mission in the country, including North Eastern Region.

(b): A statement showing physical and financial targets approved under National Bamboo Mission for implementation in Assam during 2007-08 of the Eleventh Plan period is annexed. The programme will be implemented by the State Government through its Forest Development Agencies (FDA) in the forest area whereas the Bamboo Development Agencies (BDA) will implement the programme in non-forest area.

In additon, an amount of Rs.149.38 lakhs has been approved for the Cane and Bamboo Technology Centre, Guwahati, an NGO, (a designated agency for Bamboo Technical Support Group), under the National Bamboo Mission, for carrying out Mission`s activities such as imparting of training to farmers/ field functionaries/entrepreneurs, certification of planting material, participation in Trade Fairs and innovative interventions in plantation/handicrafts sector.